

in the news

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The varsity and JV lightweight crews outrowed rivals Cornell and Columbia last weekend on the Harlem River. The varsity crew won by a 10-second margin, while the JV boat finished a full 23 seconds ahead of its nearest challengers.

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OUTSIDE

Approximately 50 million Americans are wearing radioactive false teeth, *The Washington Post* reported. Uranium is added to the porcelain used to manufacture false teeth in order to give the teeth luster. The Food and Drug Administration expects to lower the amount of uranium permitted in false teeth, but says that it poses no danger, and therefore no recalls are expected.

For the fourth year in a row, Massachusetts environmental officials banned shellfish digging on the North Shore because of dangerously high levels of paralytic shellfish toxin found in samples over the weekend. The effect on local restaurants is expected to be minimal, since many obtain their shellfish supplies from other areas.

The MIT Leadership Campaign has raised \$75 million in its first year, putting it one-third of the way toward its \$225 million goal. President Jerome Wiesner said the results of the campaign to date "reassure us that we can maintain MIT as a strong institutional base for scientific and technological education and research and give us hope that we may be beginning to reverse the trend of recent years when inadequate funds for research and development have imposed restrictions on our universities."

UPDATE

Judy Bostock, 8.02 course administrator, won the 1976 Institute "Big Screw" by a substantial margin over Professor Bruce Mazlish of the Humanities Department in the balloting which ended Saturday. Finishing a strong third despite being only an unofficial "write-in" candidate was Wayne Andersen, Chairman of the Committee on Visual Arts. Bostock accepted the award Sunday in a brief ceremony during the Kaleidoscope picnic at Wellesley.

Class of 1980: minorities increase

By Glenn Brownstein

A record number of 153 minority students, over twice the total accepted to last year's freshman class, form a major part of the newly admitted Class of 1980, figures recently released from the Admissions Office show.

The 1898 applicants accepted out of a record pool of over 5000 also include 341 women, the largest total ever, and 52 foreign students, a slight decrease from last year.

Director of Admissions Peter Richardson '48 attributed the significant minority admission increase to two factors. First, the Admissions Office received a list of 4600 possible applicants last May and sent out monthly mailings of MIT information from that date on, generating a larger pool of interested high school seniors. In the second stage, phone calls and visits to prospective freshmen (made with the help of the Black Student Union) insured a higher number of eventual

applications.

Richardson noted that in previous years, such a list was not available until October, limiting the recruitment effort substantially, and that next year the schools that compete with the Institute for minority students will copy MIT's heavy mailing approach. "Next year we'll have to try something else," Richardson said.

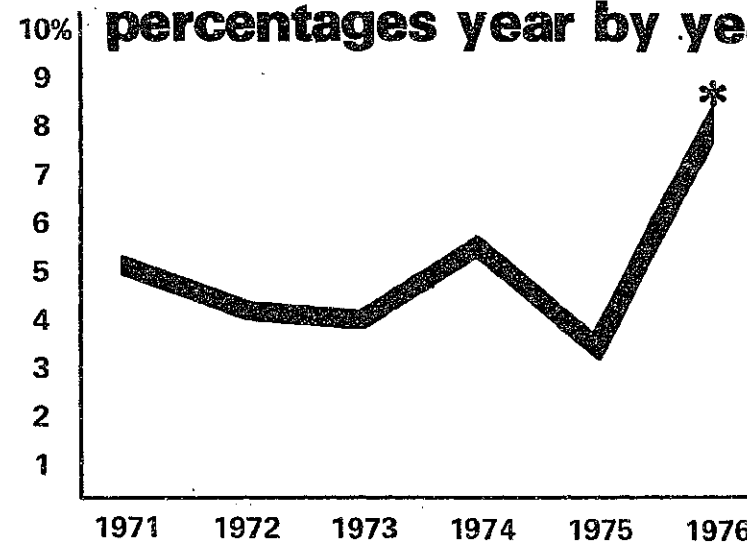
Minority and women admittees usually accept freshman places at a higher rate than the incoming class as a whole, Richardson explained, so there should be an even higher percentage of these two groups in the Class of 1980 than the initial figures indicate.

MIT's liberal "early action" program, which notifies accepted applicants as soon as December 15 (the remainder go into the April notification pool) and does not require a commitment by the admittee until May 1, received 624 applications this year, 286 of which were accepted (both records). Most of the schools in the Ivy League will switch to this

program next year from the traditional "early decision" system, which requires the accepted student to immediately take a place in the following year's freshman class.

About 125-150 transfer students, largely moving into the sophomore class, will round out the admission process for 1976. No confirmation decision is required of transfers until June.

Accepted minority students: percentages year by year



(Included in the figures are Blacks, Puerto Ricans, American Indians, and Mexican Americans.)

* does not include students on waiting list

East Boston High to stay district school

By Mike McNamee

East Boston High School, the scene of protests earlier this year over plans to convert the school to a city-wide technical school, will remain a district high school for at least another year, Federal District Judge W. Arthur Garrity decided yesterday.

Instead of converting East Boston to a technical school, as originally ordered under the Phase II desegregation plan for Boston schools, Barnes Middle

School in East Boston will be converted to a six-grade city-wide facility called the "East Boston Technical School," Garrity said.

The changes will "ease some of the pressure off the planning" for conversion of the schools, according to Stanley Russell, MIT coordinator for the East Boston schools. Under the Phase II order, MIT was assigned to aid the MassPort Authority, the Wentworth Institutes of Technology, and the Boston

School Department in planning for converting both East Boston High and Barnes to technical schools by Sept. 1.

"We now know how many grades we're going to be responsible for, what needs we'll have to meet, and what facilities will be involved," Russell said. "We've been twiddling our thumbs for a while now, waiting to find out."

The change was made, Russell said, because of construction delays at Madison Park High

School, a new magnet school facility planned for completion this fall. The delays have created a city-wide shortage of magnet school capacity, Russell said, making some change in the Phase II plans necessary.

"The judge invited submissions for the modifications of the plan from all the parties," Russell said. "We (MIT, Wentworth, and MassPort) suggested that East Boston be left alone, and that an

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Kennedy addresses Law Day gathering

By Henry Fiorentini

"Young people have awakened the conscience of the country and have played a key and important role in America"

said Senator Edward Kennedy in a banquet speech at the Sheraton Hotel commemorating National Law Day.

Speaking from the head table,



US Senator Edward M. Kennedy speaks at the New England School of Law's Law Day Banquet on Saturday.

which also included US District Court Judge W. Arthur Garrity Jr. and Massachusetts Governor Michael S. Dukakis, Kennedy said that "young people are the leaders of important issues. It was they who first brought to the country's attention the inappropriateness of US involvement in Southeast Asia."

Kennedy closed his brief speech before the 520-member audience at the New England School of Law banquet by saying that "we must breathe life into the law in all areas, to return Boston to the kind of city we have all come to know and love it to be."

Before Kennedy's arrival, two groups of protesters had gathered outside the hotel. About a score of Boston Police, including half a dozen mounted police, were present to control the crowd of 150 to 200 people. A little over half of the protesters were there to lobby against the passage of Senate bill S.1, which would impose stricter penalties for riot offenses, define obscenity according to community standards, allow confessions in the absence of counsel and warning, and expand the areas of allowable wiretapping.

The smaller group was there to protest school busing. There were no incidents involving either group.

Garrity, responsible for the

controversial Boston desegregation plan, was present but would not elaborate on his decisions. In reference to the decisions, Kennedy merely said that he "respected the man for his reasons."

Kennedy, speaking of ways to fund Boston schools, which are expected to run out of money by mid-May, said that it was "impractical" to expect passage of a special Senate bill to get Federal aid just for Boston. "Rather," he said, "we should try to take advantage of existing (aid) provisions."

Dukakis emphasized the importance of keeping Boston as a city of law and order. He emphasized that "although the city needs more jobs, we must first put an end to the lawlessness and terror which plagues the streets of Boston."

Law Day was designated by Presidential proclamation in 1958. The American Bar Association has designated this year's theme to be "200 years of Liberty and Law."

Preceding the evening's banquet, two seminars were held at the Sheraton. The first was "New Trends in Domestic Relations", headed by Judge Haskell C. Freedman, followed by a luncheon and the second seminar, "Workman's Compensation," headed by Judge Bernard Cohen.

East Boston planning revised

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unused elementary school be used to house the new technical high school. Garrity accepted the first part, but decided to use Barnes as the high school instead."

Under yesterday's order, Barnes will house four grades — 7 through 10 — next year, with 160 students in each grade. As in the original order, 25 percent of the students must reside in East Boston's District 8. Over the next two years, two more classes of 160 will be admitted to the East Boston Technical School, bringing it to full capacity of 960 stu-

dents in grades 7 through 12 by September, 1978.

East Boston High will remain a District 8 high school next year, and will be desegregated like any other district school, Garrity ruled. Subject to appeal, the school will continue to serve "in whole or in part" as a district school beyond next year.

Both Russell and attorney Eric Van Loon, counsel for the black plaintiffs in Boston's desegregation suit, said that the East

Boston protests over plans to change the school in January were not direct causes of the Phase II modification. "It would be foolish to try to read Judge Garrity's mind, but in our view the community actions had no effect whatsoever," Van Loon told *The Tech*. "We've known since January that there will be a shortage of magnet-school seats, and all parties agreed that we couldn't do anything but leave East Boston as it is for another year."

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COLONEL John S. Kark, Director of the Army ROTC Program, presents 1st Place Trophy to, L to R: Bernie Kempinski, '79, Dan Haime, '79, and Rob Milne '78. MIT's Army ROTC Orienteering Team took first place honors in the Area 1 competition held at Fort Devens, defeating teams from 10 schools in the New England and Eastern New York Region. In individual competition over the Elite Course, Jaime took 2nd place, followed by Milne (5th), Tom Strat, '78 (8th), and Kempinski (11th). Over 60 competitors participated in the event.

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Doctorow: history as fiction

By Thomas J. Spisak

"History is itself a form of fiction," E.L. Doctorow, author of *Ragtime*, a fictional account of New York society during the late nineteenth century, observed during the second Humanities Department Literary Program, "Writers and the Uses of the Past," Thursday.

"There has always been an intervention between fact and fiction," Doctorow stated. "The first novelist in the English language (Defoe) had been a journalist most of his life before writing *Robinson Crusoe* and in it he turns a raving maniac into a hero."

Participating in the forum with Doctorow were Justin Kaplan, a Pulitzer Prize winner for his biography of Mark Twain, and Linda Wagner, Professor of English at Michigan State.

Wagner pointed out a conflict between theme and craft, the philosophical and mechanical elements of writing. "History provides the sense of otherness that makes a novel believable," she stated.

"In the 20's and 30's American history was presented as myth, hiding behind a facade of objectivity," she said, citing the works of Dos Passos and Hart.

There is a very fine line between history and mythology, according to Doctorow. "Instead of drawing distinctions between fact and fiction, I prefer to call both narration," he maintained. "There is no history except as composed."

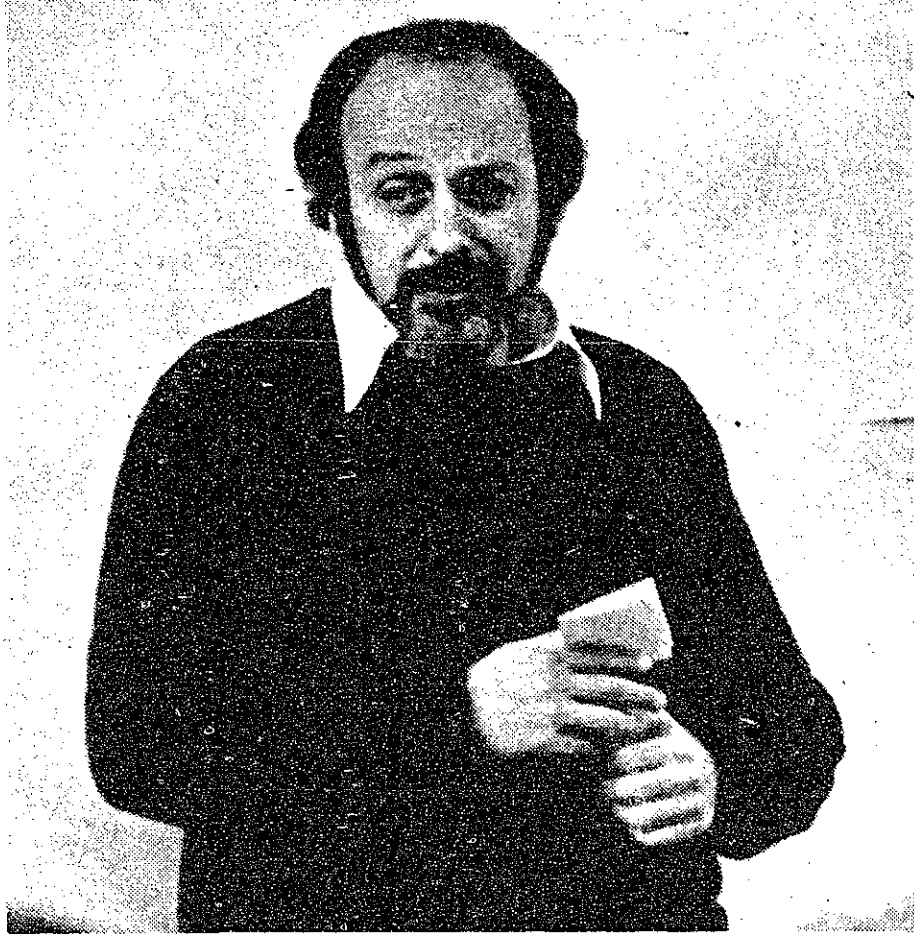
Separating people from historical milieu within biography according to Kaplan, "turns them into figures in a peepshow."

Doctorow asserted that novelists "have been put on the Reservation of Personal Experience" by the success of the case history style of non-fiction writing as exemplified by Truman Capote's books.

"As a matter of survival, the novelist will break out of the

reservation and take back the ground usurped by social scientists and others," Doctorow declared.

Kaplan observed that the success of case histories is based on their borrowing the techniques of fiction.



Lee Lindquist

There is a fine line between history and mythology, E. L. Doctorow said at the Humanities Department's "Writers and the Uses of the Past" Program.

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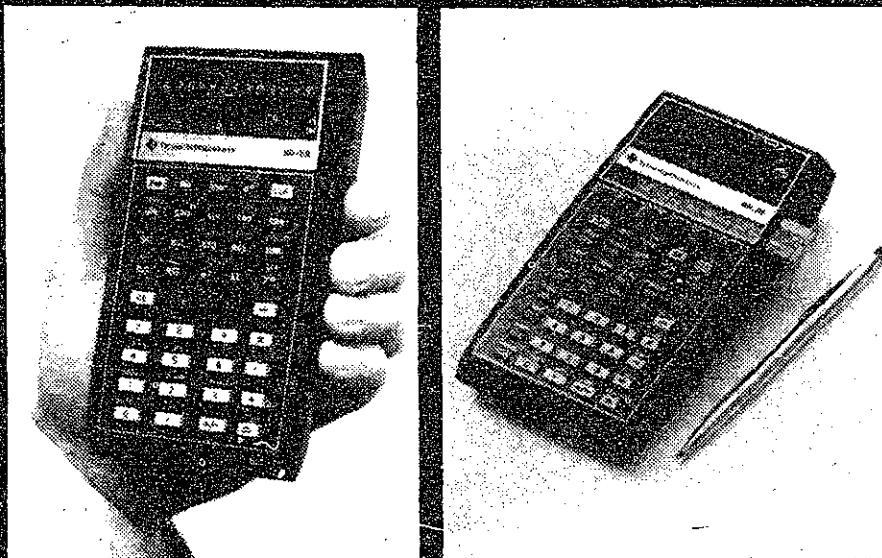
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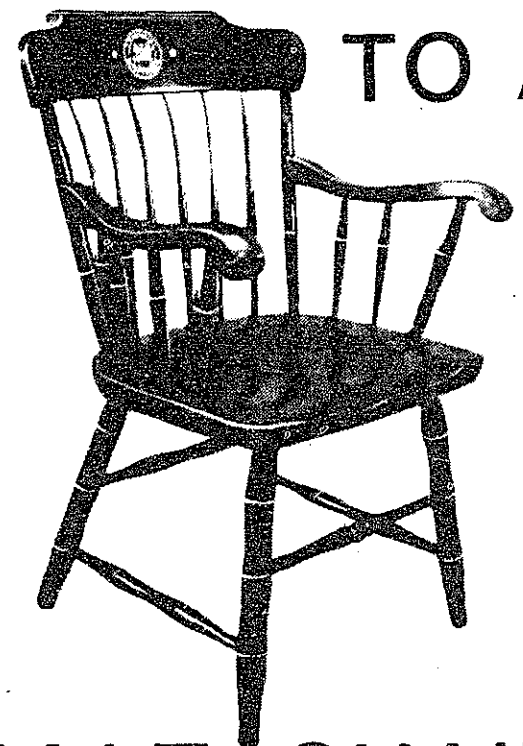
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sports

Ruggers down Dalhousie

By Charles Cox

Rebounding from losses to Boston Mystic and Harvard, the MIT ruggers defeated Dalhousie University (Halifax, Nova Scotia) last Thursday. Dalhousie toured the Boston area last week, playing Harvard, Old Gold, and MIT among others.

Fred Beretta '79 and Drew Jaglom '74 each scored a try for the Engineers before Dalhousie could retaliate. John Kavazanjian '72 booted a penalty goal for MIT and converted another Jaglom try to give the Engineers a 17-4 halftime lead.

In the second half, a long breakaway by Al Heureux '78 set up another Beretta try, which Kavazanjian converted. Dalhousie added a final try to end the scoring, and the Engineers left the field 23-8 victors.



Fred Beretta '79 (left) scored two tries in the MIT ruggers' 23-8 defeat of Dalhousie University.

Roundup

Lights outrow Cornell, Columbia

By Glenn Brownstein and Debbie August

MIT's varsity **lightweight crew** defeated Cornell and Columbia on the Harlem River last Saturday. The crew pulled ahead of runnerup Cornell by 1½ lengths at the start. They increased their lead by another length at the 1000 meter mark, and ultimately won by a full four lengths over Cornell, with Columbia another 2½ lengths behind. The **JV lightweight crew** was also victorious, finishing its race 23 seconds ahead of rival Cornell.

The Mathematics A-league team once again copped the **IM Chess** crown in a forfeit-plagued season. A team from the Electrical Engineering and Computer Science department finished

second, one-half game behind.

In B-league, ATO ran away with the title, having five wins and being held to a draw only once. Both TEP and the WC-4 Players swept their C-league divisions, with WC-4 coming out on top of TEP 3½-1½ in their playoff match.

This year's total of 25 teams was a six team increase from last year, the first year of IM Chess.

Five-goal performances by Ambrose Orlando and Earl Cole paced Springfield College to a 20-8 victory over MIT's varsity **lacrosse** (3-10) team at Briggs Field Saturday.

Bill Togneri and Eric Alterman scored three times apiece for the victorious Indians, who built a ten-goal lead over three periods, and then struggled through a wild twelve-goal, eight-penalty, rain-filled fourth quarter to gain their

third win of the season.

Gordie Zuerndorfer '78 scored his eleventh goal of the year and added three assists to lead the Engineer scoring attack, which took 50 shots (the second largest total this season) and featured goals by seven different MIT players.

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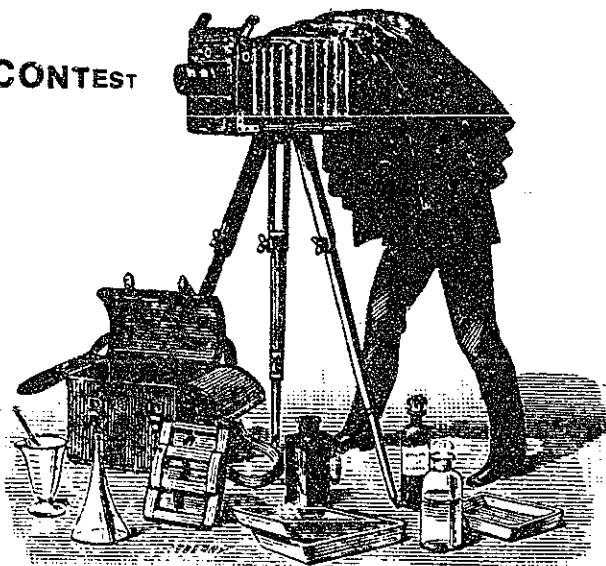
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PSK	3	1	1	SPE	3 1 1
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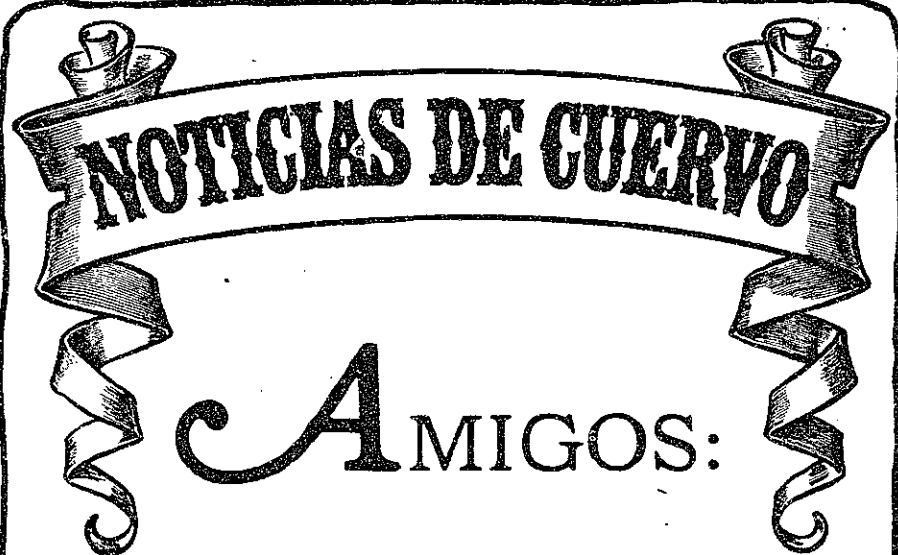
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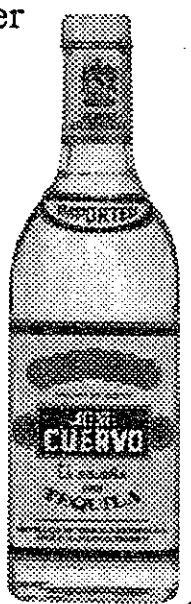
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